

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 655

By Kyle

A RESOLUTION to recognize Judith A. Drescher on the occasion of her retirement.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the members of this legislative body should honor those citizens who have performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm throughout their years of industry; and

WHEREAS, Judith A. Drescher is one such estimable person who has served with distinction for twenty-three years as the Director of the Memphis library system; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Drescher took a much deserved retirement on December 31, 2007; and

WHEREAS, during her more than two decades of loyal service to the Memphis community, Judith Drescher has astutely guided the library system and accomplished numerous impressive initiatives, including the completion of the Central Library in 2001, significant upgrades to many branches, and the utilization of new technology; and

WHEREAS, evincing her considerable leadership abilities, Ms. Drescher also impeccably led the library system through many difficult times of change, such as its incorporation into the Memphis city government; and

WHEREAS, as Ms. Drescher once noted, summing up her accomplishments with the library system: "We have grown everyday to better fulfill our mission of satisfying the customer's need to know;" and

WHEREAS, Judith Drescher exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to family and community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, throughout her estimable career, Ms. Drescher has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of her colleagues; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

CONCURRING, that we extend to Judith A. Drescher our heartfelt wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement and every continued success in her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.